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MIENBRY RESOLUTION.

McEnery voted to ratify the by with the distinct underthat his resolution, which sets tery clear manner the position Red States with reference to pine Islands, would be adoptthat agreement has not been with by the Republican Senaolicited and obtained his suptreaty, nor is it likely it will

mery resolution declares that ot the intention of our gov-Into citizenship of the Unintion to establish over them te the interests of the inwn country. It leaves the more complete underexigencies of the case intention to act without ds of the people and their til they shall have arrived and duties as we have of

our future action. There and honesty which has we close this dignified and graceful ed-ed those of their colleagues iterial in the words of our "devil," istration is pursuing a pol- asked leave to print, as an evidence of vill react upon it sooner or his aspirations, and of those of the en-tot until thousands of Fillhundreds of our own solbeen killed.

ialdo's somewhat bombastic n precipitated hostilities at ice should have been ignored, selves in

for the sake of argument,

ERSON'S CANDIDATE.

agining.

Watterson, of "Stardess" fame, the brilliant edi-Louisville Courier-Journal, lected Rear Admiral George he hero of Manila Bay, as the of the Democratic party in e Presidency. But it scems Knight of the Quill will not ted to succeed in his underthe Admiral, in a letter to iwley, in South Carolina, posfines to be made the candidate Morent lines, and

enduring the strain.

furnishes fresh proof that he is as wise as he is brave. For the sake of Mr. Watterson, whose disappointments in politics have been very many, and some of them very bitter, we regret that his latest illusion has been so rudely shattered. But he need not despair. There are Otis and Miller, and Otis again in the Philippines; Brooke and Ludlow in Cuba; Shafter, late of Santiago, and Miles, of "embalmed beef" enduring notorlety. If each of these soldiers decline he may be able to persuade General Eagan to forego the pleasure of a visit to his son's coffee plantation in Hawaii and make the race. Eagan ought to make a candidate approaching the ideal, for, according to his own testimony, he is but few degrees removed

If Eagan refuses to accommodate our contemporary all is not lost. There is Secretary Alger, a warrior bold, to fall back upon. He may run short in cam-paign supplies, but Editor Watterson may get an investigating commission and whitewash him. McKinley can furnish valuable pointers.

"THE SNOW: THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW."

All of our readers have read the exquisite peom of-Hood, was it?-on the snow, the beautiful snow, and no doubt they have also read many similar poems full of fancy and beauty, and we are very sure that for the last three days they have, without exception, been contemplating in a state of blissful ecs tacy that most pure and spotless sub-We confess, entre nous, that in days past, in the balmy days of spring, we have contemplated with extreme satisfaction the poems on the snow—the beautiful snow; and in the torrid heat of summer we have even enjoyed at a distance the prospect of the snow, the beautiful snow. But alas, the last three days have changed all this; our mind come unsettled; our body uncom fortable. We are venomous, and al-most ready to believe that these splendid poems were written with an object by a set of hirelings-for pay, and not from the depths of poetle fancy. We even imagine that perhaps they were inspired with some ulterior object by the coal man, or the plumber, or the store man, or (we would say the milk man but for the fact that the snow-the beautiful snow, has dried up his cows) some other man who has no fancy, or rather has all fancy about the beauty snow-the beautiful snow. In truth our state is such, (brought on by the snow-the beautiful snow, in fact and before in an angry state of mind and an uncomfortable state of body; why, we had to wade with our editorial two feet of snow-beautiful snow,-and row, by the snow-the beautiful snowour friend Owen Meredith. It is strange how one extreme reminds us of another, and we found that we were that we could live without books; and unlike him in that we have lived-without cooks; and all on account of engaged in the perusal of these aforesaid poems, our cook has quietly remained at home, and we have gone comprehension of our dining and without her. But there is one comfort. We saw in a paout any cost. It was an advertisement of a radiator, which, if attached to any lamp, would heat the room in the coldweather. Of course, this is a great it at once, (without cost, if possible), emselves of deception and enough, and we have had enough of the nd an utter destitution of heautiful snow-the beautiful snow, and

> "Blow ye Southern zephyrs, blow-And warm us up and melt the snow."

OUR VOLUNTEER SOLDIERY

Uncle Sam's volunteer soldiers are cessation of hostilities and making a splendid record for themthe far-away Philippines. aughter of his followers, and The regulars, in their usual business ce of our men, who volunter- like way, have done well, and added nt Spain and not her enemies, to the reputations gained as fighters at The administration is, to Santiago, but the volunteers, who labor committed to the recognition under obvious disadvantages compared lpinos as free and independ- with regiments of trained regular solthe refusal of its supporters diers, have won imperishable renown eir compact with Senator Me- as stubborn, effective fighters. At Maby be accepted as proof that nila they demonstrated what they may has determined upon a policy be relied upon to do when they listic in its tendencies as his the training necessary to familiarize have charged, or are capthemselves with military routine. They have stormed trenches, assaulted pro tected positions and fought with bravery rarely, if ever, excelled against Filipinos, who are familiar with every foot of the country, and ready to make use of every point of vantage. The recent battles and skirmishes were waged by volunteers chiefly, as they outnumbered the regulars in the Philippines

more than three to one. It will no longer be disputed by mill tary critics that our American volunteer, having been given some experience in the field, requires less time to adapt himself effectively to the occupation of soldiering than the citizen of any other country. In the Philippines He says that his train- the volunteer commands were strangers to the service less than a year ago, but

his temperament disqualfiles him for they have acquired the soldierly habitof the cause in which they are engaged. They obey orders, which is the sol-dier's paramount duty. Personal considerations are of secondary importance to them, and while we cannot regard the war in which they are engaged otherwise than wrong, their achievements are a most gratifying indication of the spirit of the men from whom the United States must draw the larger part of its defenders in the event of a serious war with a foreign foe and invader of our soil.

PLAYED MARBLES WITH WASH-INGTON.

General James A. Walker, of Wytheville, in the Ninth Congressional District of Virginia, was repudiated by the voters at the polls in the last elec-tion, but that didn't reconcile him to the idea of retiring to the shades of private life, hence he is contesting the election of his successful opponent, ex-Judge William F. Rhea, of Bristol. For several weeks he has been engaged in taking testimony, largely among the negroes. At Radford, in Montgomery county, a few days ago, an old colored man deposed in the General's behalf He said he was one hundred and twenty-three years old, and from Eastern Virginia, where he had, in old times played marbles with George Washington. He revealed what had previously not been generally known, namely, that "Washington could knock the middle man every time."

It is extremely doubtful if this old darkey has reached the advanced age he credits himself with. In 1776 Washington was thinking more about knocking the British than the "middle man" in a game of marbles. It will be re-called by those who have acquaintance with the famous cherry tree incident that he couldn't tell a story. General Walker's witness both can and will, it may be safely assumed, and if he is a fair specimen of the witnesses relied upon to reverse the verdict rendered by the pople at the polls, Judge Rhea may rest easy. Even a Republican Congress will not be likely to unseat him on such evidence.

THE AUTOMOBILE

The automobile is coming on apace, but the few enthusiasts who expect it to speedily supplant the street cars are visionaries of the first water. All the same it is not doubted that it will, at an early day, supplant the use of the horse in criies, and there is a great future waiting for the independent vehicle propelled by air, gas or electricity. Here in Norfolk a system of automobile cars could, it is believed, be operated with profit to the owners and convenience to the traveling public. Comfortable, well lighted, easy-running legs vehicles, making a moderate rate of to our editorial rooms through speed and charging a reasonable fare would be immediately popular with a then the fire melted the snow-the class of people whose business or inbeautiful snow, and our editorial legs clination take them to points removed were wet and uncomfortable. Then from the street car lines, and for obagain, we were reminded, to our sor- vious reasons with many who reside or have business on the lines.

The objection to the street car is not so much the fare or the rate of speed, but that during the rush hours a jourlike him and not like him-like him in ney in them is harassing. Patrons, at such times, must abandon the idea of and endure the positive inthe decency involved in crowding seventythe beautiful snow. No doubt, five or a hundred people, of all classes, and colors, and both sexes, into space meant for the accommodation of half the number, to say nothing of the agltation of the mass incident to the conductor crowding his way back and forth, tramping toes, elbowing ribs and other discomforts equally as undesirable and annoying, and the danger of contracting contagious diseases. In the automobile there would be freedom at least from most, if not all of these things which, for the time, make life burdensome.

Another argument in favor of the automobile is its accessibility after the street cars have retired from business at nights.

Poor Dreyfus! France takes advand those of their colleagues iterial in the words of our "devil." tage of the universal excitement over support forcible expansion. which we have not read, but which he the renewal of hostilities in the Phil-

There is consolation in the fact that

If he had taken several train loads he might some day be an Alderman with the opportunity to do "busi ness" with the street railways.

This is an age of combinations and trusts. The last is a Spap Trust. It may help the Peregrinating Order of Tramps, in that its members will now have an opportunity to turn the laugh upon people who persist in the habit Linen of keeping clean.

There seems to be great danger that the population of Ohio may some day become greater than the number of able weather of yesterday we offices. The rumor that an Ohlo man is have decided to continue our to be made Librarian of Congress has led the country to reflection along this Special Sale

General Harrison Gray Otis, who is winning laurels in the Philippines, regardless of the righteousness or sinfulness of the Administration's policy of shooting its doctrines into the Filipinos, was a newspaper man before the Spanish-American war. It is no disparagement of him to say that he is demonstrating that his sword is mightier than his pen.

The Chinese new year, which was ushered in last Thursday and will tarry with us ten days, possesses some unique and novel features. One of them, namely, the shooting of popcrackers and the burning of punk in order to drive away traditional pea-green devils, is, to say the least, suggestive of the Chinese devil's possession of some of the characteristics of a two-

We rise to respectfully inquire of the late War Investigating Commission now that its whitewashing of McKinley, Alger and Sternberg has been com pleted, WHY NO PRIVATE SOL-DIERS WERE SUMMONED TO TES-TIFY. Can it be that officers were the only ones who had to eat embalmed

NOTES AND OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

RAILING AT THE COURT.

("Case and Comment.")

"Every United States Supreme Court Judge will stand by his party when great party interests are at stake." says a writer of shashing ipse dixits in the "Indiana Law Journal." In proof of this he does not cite a single illustration of strict party division in any decision of that court, but refers to such a division by five justices sitting as members of the electrical commission. The fact is that in nearly every case of great political importance, from the time when the nation was stirred over the first legal tender case down to the recent political upheaval over the income tax decision, judges of both political parties have agreed in the decision of the court; and when there were several dissentors, they also represented both political parties. Acts of Congress which seemed far-reaching in political effect, and which were deemed the essential offspring of a particular political party, have been held unconstitutional by judges belonging to that party. In the face of all this, a statement that every one of these justices will stand by his party when great party interests are at stake is discreditably reckless and intemperate.

ADDING COST OF STAMP TAX TO EXPRESS CHARGES.
(Case and Comment.)
The right of an express company to increase its charges by the amount of the stamp tax. so that the shipper and not the carrier, is really compelled to pay the tax, has been much discussed during the past six months and was recently decided in the affirmative by Judge Lacombe, of the United States Circuit Court, in the case of Crawford v. Hubbell, reported in the "New York Law Journal" of November 11th, 1898. The power of Congress to compel the carrier to bear the burden is not denied, but the judge does not find that this power has been exercised.

This is not in accord with the opinion of Judge Luley, of Chicago, in People, ex rol. Western Steel Works v. United States Express Co., 5 Detroit Legal News, No. 21, 30 Chicago Legal News, 408, 16 National Corporation Reporter, 1231. In that case it was held that the express company and not the shipper, must pay the tax, and while the company had not in form attempted to raise its rates, the judge said that if the demand upon the shipper for the cost of the stamp could be considered as such an attempt, it would not be upheld, as the power to raise its rates did not include the power to make an arbitrary and horizontal increase of rates without regard to the service performed.

Judge Luley's opinion is approved by the Michigan Supreme Court in At-

Poor Dreyfus! France takes advantage of the universal excitement over the renewal of hostilities in the Philippines to hurry his case off her hands, while the world is looking elsewhere, while the world is looking elsewhere.

General Miles' position of command-

any glory ,unless he can extract it from his exposure of incompetency in the War Department.

Samp.

Judge Lacombe disposed of the case of Crawford v. Hubbell in an oral opinion in order to avoid delay so that the case might be carried to the Supreme Court of the United States as rapidly as possible.

There is consolation in the fact that the recent increase in the price of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulations of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the manipulation of the Whitskey is due alone to the help with the due and Comment.)

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ordinary railroad trains. But the dif-ference seems to be merely one of de-gree. The street car companies ought to be compiled to make their cars warm enough for ordinary people to ride in them without exposing their health to danger.

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